



## **UNITED STATES LETTERS PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:
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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled PORTABLE PATIENT TURNING AND LIFTING DEVICE, the specification of which
is attached hereto
or
was filed on <u>December 7, 2001</u> as United States Application Number PCT International Application Number <u>10/010,870</u> and was amended on (if applicable).
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